

The Honorable Ronald B. Leighton

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

ELISE BELL, individually and on behalf of
all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

GAME SHOW NETWORK, LLC, a
Delaware limited liability company,

Defendant.

Case No. 18-cv-05393-RBL

**STIPULATED MOTION AND ORDER
GRANTING STAY PENDING INITIAL
ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS**

I. STIPULATION

Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 10(g), the undersigned parties, by and through their counsel, collectively make this stipulated motion to the Court to stay all proceedings in this action pending initial arbitration proceedings.

1. On May 16, 2018, Plaintiff filed this action. Dkt. 1.

2. On June 12, 2018, the Court entered a stipulated briefing schedule under which Defendant's anticipated motion to dismiss proceedings and compel arbitration was due July 2, 2018. Dkt. 24.

3. On July 2, 2018, Defendant timely filed its motion to dismiss proceedings and compel arbitration. Dkt. 25.

1 4. After good faith discussions regarding the merits of Defendant's motion to
2 compel arbitration, the parties have reached an agreement in principle to have an arbitrator
3 resolve the gateway issue of whether Ms. Bell's claims are compulsorily arbitrable.¹

4 5. Consequently, the parties seek to stay this action in its entirety pending a decision
5 from the arbitrator as to whether Ms. Bell's claims are compulsorily arbitrable.

6 6. The parties agree that this stipulation does not waive or limit any of Defendant's
7 rights or any of the arguments set forth in its motion to dismiss proceedings and compel
8 arbitration (*see* Dkt. 25).

9 7. During the requested stay, the Parties propose to submit, at the Court's preferred
10 frequency, a Joint Status Report apprising the Court of any developments in the arbitration
11 proceedings.

12 8. Upon a decision from the arbitrator as to the compulsory arbitrability of Ms.
13 Bell's claims, the Parties will immediately notify the Court of the arbitrator's decision and
14 submit a Joint Status Report proposing next steps.

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16 IT IS SO STIPULATED, THROUGH COUNSEL OF RECORD.

17 DATED this 10th day of August, 2018.
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26 ¹ To be clear, the parties agree that an arbitrator will decide the issue of arbitrability, but do
27 not otherwise agree as to the arbitrability of Ms. Bell's claims.

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ORDER

Based upon the foregoing stipulation of the parties, it is hereby ordered that all proceedings are stayed pending further Court order.

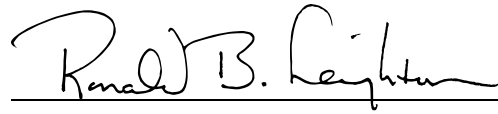
This order does not waive or limit any of Defendant's rights or any of the arguments set forth in its motion to dismiss proceedings and compel arbitration (*see* Dkt. 25).

The Parties shall submit a Joint Status Report with the Court every sixth (60) days.

The parties shall also submit a Joint Status Report immediately upon a decision from an arbitrator as to whether Plaintiff's claims are compulsorily arbitrable.

PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED:

DATED this 13th day of August, 2018.



Ronald B. Leighton
United States District Judge